Performing the Right to Research Sibylle Peters

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Building on ongoing discussions of artistic research, on their consequent expansion as 'practice based research' and recognizing what work is out there, we propose to go a step further in order to include practices that act as unexpected convergences of many forms of knowledge. These practices cannot be recognized under the name of artist, collective, school, genre or mode of exposure. Rather they are bodies of work, that consciously or unconsciously, are drawn together in movement, in their unpredictable engagement with urgencies and exigent issues. How we can chart such relations and what permission we might gain from the relations they form, is one of the drives of *The* **EFAP** Charter for Advanced Practices.

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Hannah Kowalski, Entscheidungsspielraum





Maike Gunsilius, Die Schule der Mädchen



Moritz Frischkorn, Institut für Choreologistics



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Banksy, Dismaland



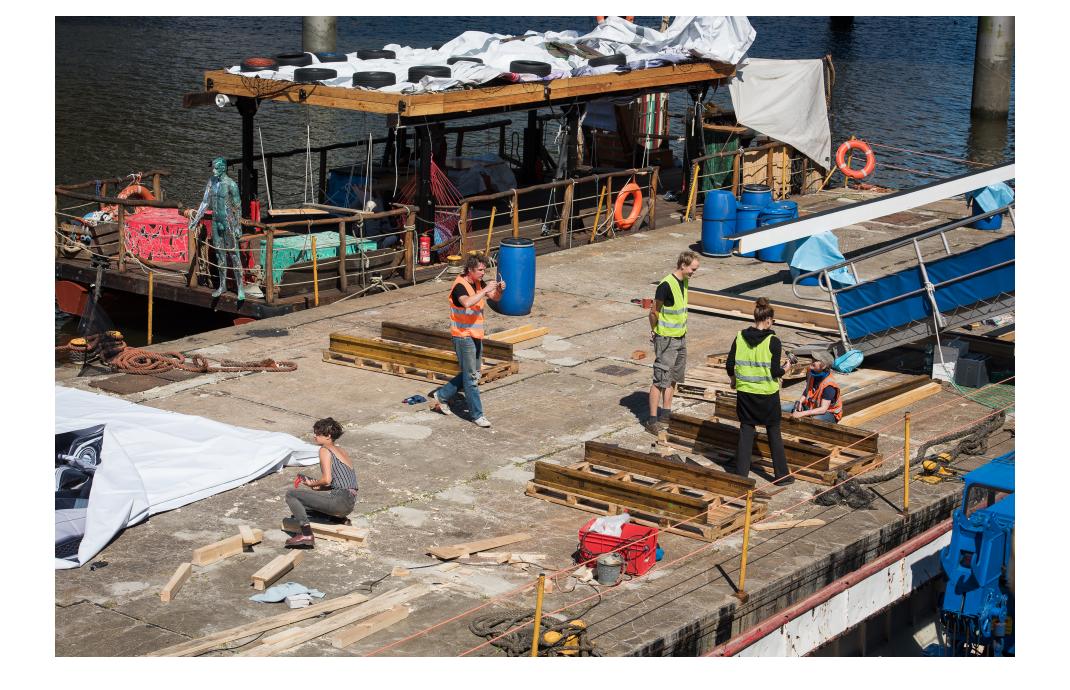
Raumlabor, Floating University

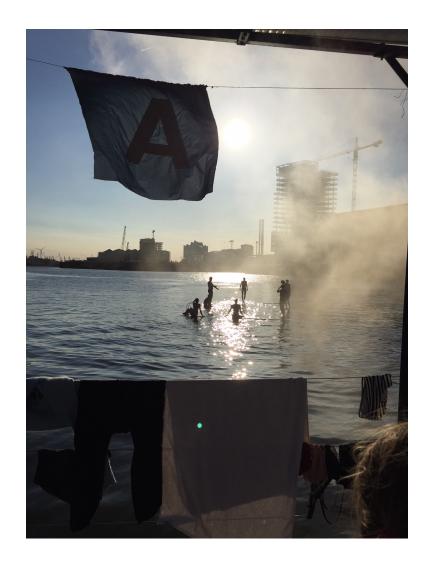


Thomas Hirschhorn, Gramsci Monument



geheimagentur







Searching for Heterotopia: Andere Räume gestalten Marion Digel, Sebastian Goldschmitdböing, Sibylle Peters (Hgg.)

Foucault bezeichnete Gefängnisse, Friedhöfe, Theater, Schiffe oder auch Bordelle als Heterotopien, als "andere Orte", die zwar durchaus real sind, aber zugleich eine andere Welt verkörpern. Mittlerweile ist die Heterotopie von einem kulturhistorisch gewachsenen Phänomen zu einem Format von Kunst und Aktivismus, Stadtplanung und Design geworden: Heterotopien werden gestaltet.

Vor diesem Hintergrund wagte der Fachbereich Gestaltung der Folkwang Universität der Künste von 2012 – 2019 ein Experiment, dessen spannendste Ergebnisse in diesem Band zur Diskussion gestellt werden: Das Graduiertenprogramm Heterotopia und das angeschlossene Institut für transdisziplinäres Design.

Mit Rüdi Bauer, Marion Digel, Benjamin Foerster-Baldenius (Raumlabor), Alan Shapiro und Sibylle Peters (Theatre of Research) prägten fünf ganz unterschiedliche Künstler und Lehrer das Programm mit. Sie bringen Überlegungen und Experimente zum Design demokratischer Versammlungen und zu Gestaltung als Zerstörung in diesen Band ein, ebenso wie die Frage, was transdisziplinäres Desing von Star Trek lernen kann oder was das Hochstapeln eigentlich mit dem Hochstapeln zu tun hat.

In weiteren Beiträgen geht es darum, wie die Heterotopie zu einem Format der performativen Künste geworden ist (geheimagentur u.a.). Als konkrete Heterotopien werden die Zone A Défendre (ZAD, John Jordan und Isabell Frémaux) und Entwürfe aus dem Heterotopia Programm selbst wie Wir sind Nachbarn, Gemüse von unten oder der Salon der ungehorsamen Dinge vorgestellt.

Ergänzt wird der Band durch kurze, bildstarke Dokumentationen einiger herausragender Arbeiten von Absolvent*innen, vielfach aufgenommen am Standort des Heterotopia Programms: im Essener SANAA Gebäude und auf dem Gelände der Zeche Zollverein.

searching for **HETEROTOPIA**

ANDERE RÄUME GESTALTEN



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Watch the Kaputt Manifesto here: https://www.fundus-theater.de/kaputt/



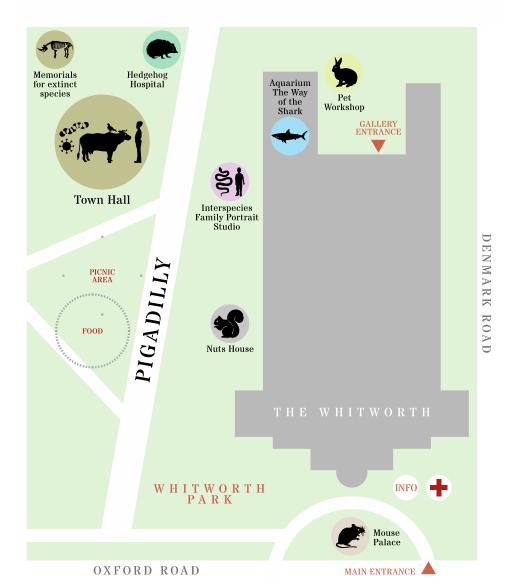


Joseph Beuys, I like America and America likes me



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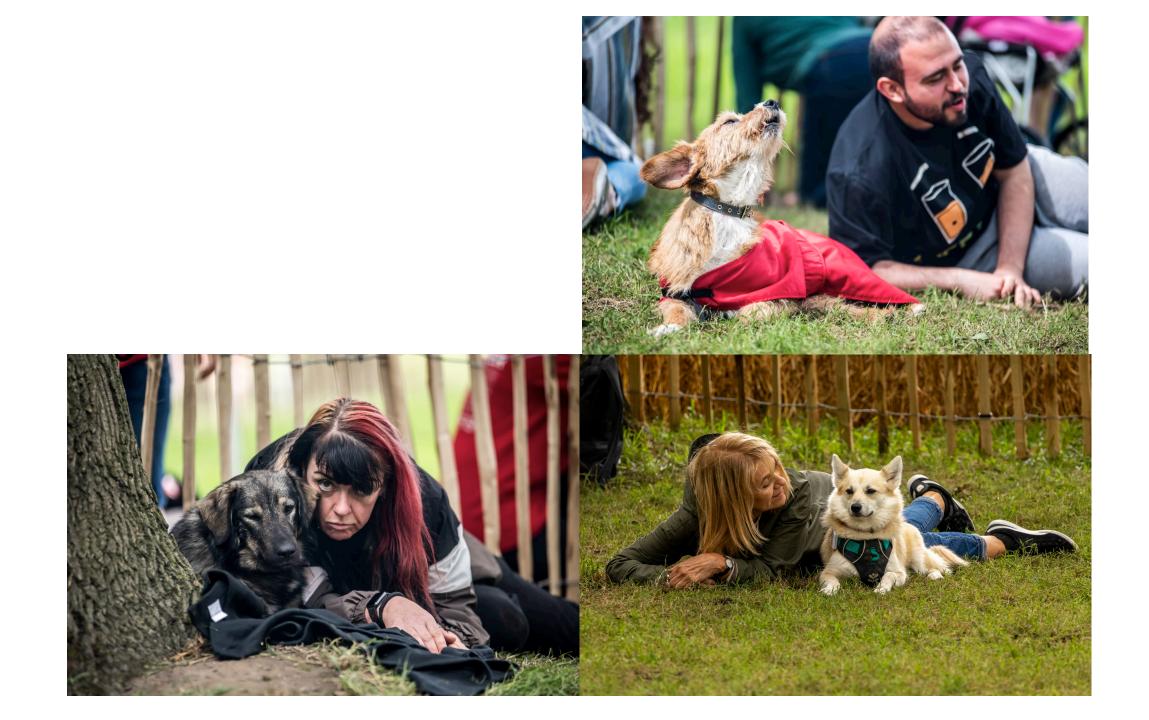
For ages human beings thought they were different from all other animals - they thought they were superior, they thought they were the masters, they thought only human beings had free will, they thought only human beings had language.

Children always had their doubts about that, and today, finally, adults start to see, that the kids were right. We all are animals together.

Imagine what Manchester, what any city, would look like if all animals in that city were equal, including humanz?

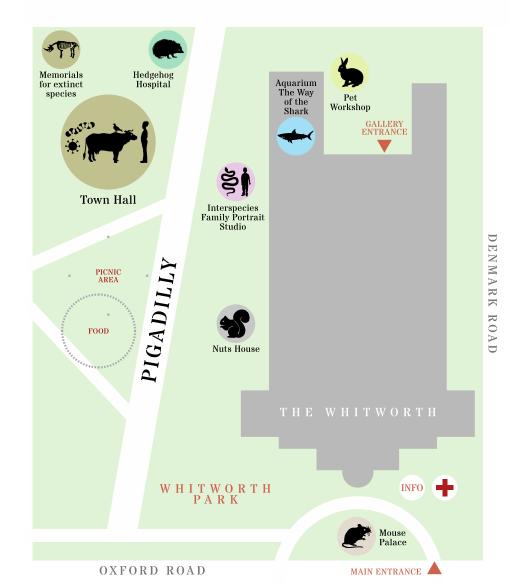


All photos of Animals of Manchester: © Lee Baxter, Chris Payne A Pantheon of Performing Animals Artists and other experts celebrate inspiring and unusual animals as artists THE PATIBAN









BeetleFilmTheatre



For the BeetleFilmTheatre the insects of Whitworth Park are making a film in collaboration with Tim Spooner, an artist who specialises in the beauty of the tiny, and Dmitri Logunov, the beetles expert from Manchester Museum. You can watch their movie live inside the theatre as it is being filmed outside. We need operators for our micro cameras. Please join in and help us to create the beetles' movie.

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The Animals of Manchester Report Scribe: David Caines

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With this Report the Animals of Manchester (including HUMANZ) bear witness to what happened on the 20th and 21st July 2019, in and around The Whitworth in Manchester.

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Here, humanz created a zone in which – for the duration of two days – all species were supposed to be equal.

In the middle of that zone humanz and other animals formed an assembly: The Standing Conference of Animals (SCA).

The SCA set out to collect findings from the experiment with interspecies equality.

The SCA set out to present research about interspecies relationships in Manchester.

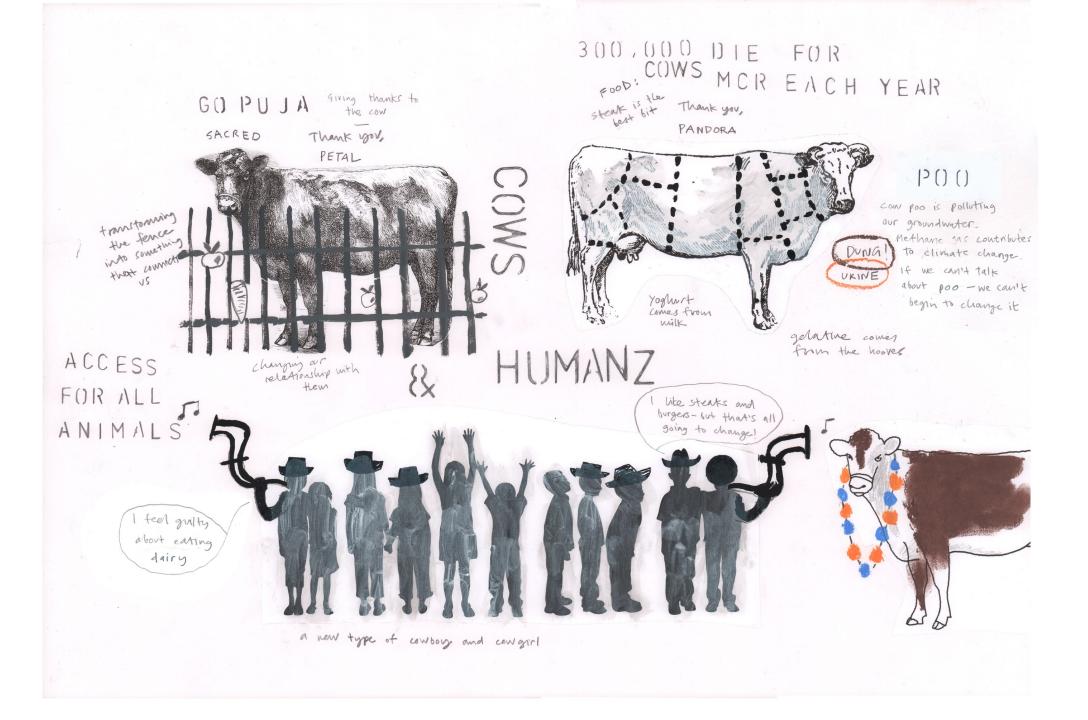
The SCA set out to gather ideas for improving interspecies relationships all over Manchester.

This Report shows what happened next.

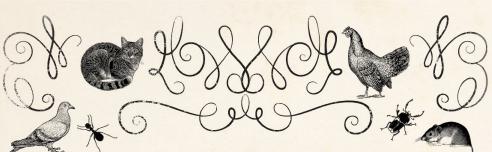
Report by David Caines for Animals of Manchester (Webding WUMANZ), a project conceived & curated by Sibylle Peters, Theatre of Research (Hamburg) & Lois Keidan, Live Art Development Agency (London), and commissioned by Manchester International Pestival.



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Dear Lord Mayor Councillor Abid Latif Chohan

Thank you for being our guest at Animals of Manchester (including HUMANZ) on Sunday, July 21st. It was an honour to have you with us, and a special moment when you received our Report in the presence of our 'cow mayors'.

With this letter we send you the final version of our visual Report on the Animals of Manchester (including HUMANK) made by our Town Hall 'scribe' David Caines. In the Report you will find suggestions on how relationships between humans and other animals in Manchester could be improved. These suggestions were mostly made by the children who have been involved in the project.

We would like to bring three of these suggestions to your special attention, because they seem achievable and might actually make a difference to Manchester:

1. The kids asked to install a permanent monument to remember extinct species somewhere in a public space in central Manchester. With such a monument Manchester would take a pioneering position in public debates about extinction and respond to this year's UN report on the unprecedented loss of biodiversity that has taken place over the last 50 years and continues at a dangerous pace.

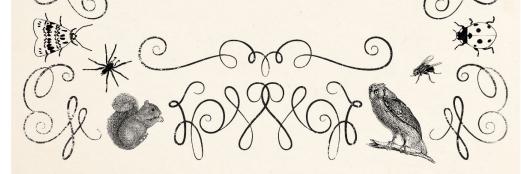
2. The kids asked to install pigeon houses for urban pigeons. These already exist in a number of European cities and not only help the pigeons, but can also lead to changes in perspectives and attitudes on embracing biodiversity within the city and in the everyday.

3. For many of the kids who were involved in the project, it was shocking to learn about intensive farming and the living conditions of many farm animals. They have asked for more education and public understanding about how the meat we consume is actually produced. More specifically, they suggested setting up an organisation for new kinds of 'cowgirls and cowboys' that could work closely with schools. These cowgirls and cowboys would learn about cows and how they live today, and would visit working farms to check on the well being of farm animals.

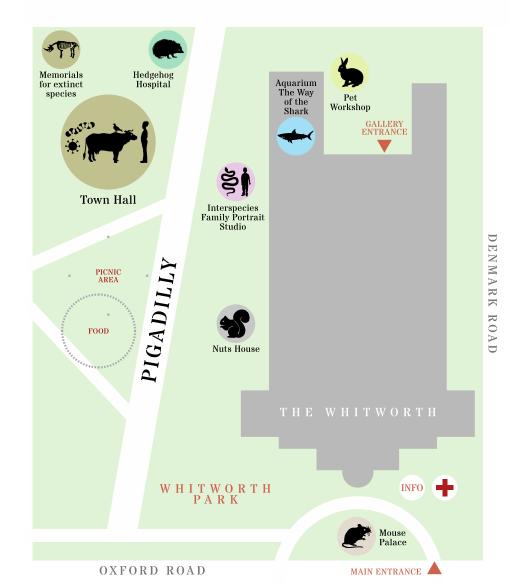
We want Animals of Manchester (including HUMANZ) to have a valuable legacy and lasting impact, and very much hope that you are able to consider these recommendations for the city of Manchester.

Thank you again for being part of Animals of Manchester (including HUMANZ).

With best regards







Links:

Theatre of Research: <u>fundus-theater.de</u>

Personal Website: wishfulthinking.eu

PLAYING UP Live Art Game for Kids & Adults <u>https://playingup.thisisliveart.co.uk</u>

KAPUTT. Academy of Destruction - Documentation: <u>https://www.thisisliveart.co.uk/projects/kaputt-the-academy-of-destruction-documentation</u>

Participatory Art Based Research: <u>pab-research.org</u>

Performing Citizenship. Free download of the book: <u>https://www.palgrave.com/gp/book/9783319975016</u>

European Forum of Advanced Practices: <u>https://advancedpractices.net/start</u>